

MARCH 4, 1868.

For Sale.

BAEL, the new DIET, recommended by the Faculty from derangement of the skin. Can be procured from GEO. GLASSE, The Victoria Dispensary, December 10, 1867.

FOR CALIFORNIA HONEY, derived, and for sale by GEO. GLASSE, Victoria Dispensary, February 24, 1868. Dma

FOR SALE, NE in quarts and pints. Montebello, Clapquet, Lareaux & Co., HESSE & Co., February 17, 1868.

TEAM COALS, Store, or deliverable on Board, Londonderry West Hartley's West Hartley, Straker, Blaenavon Marthyr, ROB. S. WALKER & Co., March 16, 1868.

FOR SALE, MIM & Co.'s CHAMPAGNE, Co.'s HOCK & MOSELLE, etc. M. SHERRY and PORT, TIN, WHISKY, RICOT'S BRANDY, LE, draught and bottle, GUINNESS' STOUT, BONE PORTER, OB. S. WALKER & Co., November 20, 1867.

FOR SALE, known as ALMACK PLACE, frontage of Eighty-three feet on and GAGE Streets, And off and twenty-nine feet on Aker, comprising a superficial area of Square feet. Annual Ground rent £100. To particulars, apply to J. B. LIVINGSTON & Co., February 24, 1868.

FOR SALE, ADOLPHE COLLINS & Co.'s Association VINE, Chateau Margaux, Saint Emilion, Espreme Durac, Hennessy's and Martel's in bottles, PORTER in bottle (labeled) in kegs, also, Iron COLUMNS, Yellow oz. with NAILS.

CLAS LAPRAIK & Co., December 11, 1867.

HAMPSHIRE, CARTE NOIRE, Champagne awarded the first class at the Paris Exhibition.

SANDEN & Co., February 27, 1868.

FOR SALE, of very superior SHERRY, fed ex "Channel Queen," for Amontillado SHERRY, 12 cases.

Superior SHERRY in 2 cases.

er-casks (cased) Superior SHERRY.

B. LIVINGSTON & Co., January 27, 1868.

AS NOVELTIES, BY CRAWFORD & Co., and Wedding CAKES, Cakes, Vanilla, Ratafia &c., ITS.

Hummel's ROSE WATER.

boxes of BONBONS.

CAVIARE.

G & Bloom MUSCATELLS.

BONS, Carlsbad WAFFERS,

SCOTS, Assorted Desert

Y. Truffled CHICKENS,

ANS, Potted Sevren SAL-

Reindeer's TONGUES in

and

ORNAMENTS.

GRAPHOSCOPES.

Transparent VIEWS.

DICE, Novel DICE, and

NOIR.

TERMOMETERS, Astro-

SCOPE, Courier BAGS,

ES, Meerschaum PIPES,

AS, December 9, 1867.

AG HOTEL STORES,

QUEEN'S ROAD,

at Landau.

THE TWEED.

MS. SALT.

URANTS,

BERRY VINEGAR,

SPARD.

BLACKING.

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COM.

In pint.

CHEESE.

HAMS.

EDMUND HOLMES,

January 9, 1868.

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Steamer "CHINA."

OKEREL in kits.

MON.

in 1 dozen cases.

1 Jb. tins.

ING in bottles.

THOS. HUNT & Co.,

January 17, 1868.

by CHARLES ABRAHAM

ator, at No. 3, Wyndham

Hongkong.

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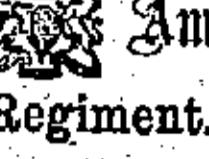
SAN FRANCISCO and American Ports generally.—WHITE & BAUER, San Francisco.

CHINA.—Shaw, Drown & Co., Amoy, Giles & Co., Foochow, Thompson & Co., Shanghai, H. Wood & Co., Macao, C. Karuth & Co.

FRIDAY AND SATURDAY,

Amusements.

BY PARTICULAR DESIRE.

The Band  Amateur, 73rd Regiment.

Y kind permission of Lieut. Col. G. J. Burne, the Band of the above Regt. will perform on

FRIDAY AND SATURDAY,

6th and 7th March,

AT THE GARRISON THEATRE,

NORTH BARRACKS,

The Original Burlesque Extravaganza, Entitled

"EXTRA."

OR "THE HORN OF A DILEMMA."

To conclude with the Laughable Farce

"A RACE FOR A WIDOW."

PRICES OF ADMISSION—

Reserved Seats, \$2.00

Front Seats, 1.00

Back Seats, 50.

Doors open at 8.30. Commence at

D. B. ROBERTSON, Consul.

OFFICIAL NOTIFICATIONS.

It is hereby notified that, until further orders, the China Mail and Overland China Mail will be the official medium of all Notifications proceeding from Her Britannic Majesty's Consulate at Amoy.

British Consulate, Amoy, April 22, 1868.

R. SWINHOE, Consul.

Arrivals.

Mar. 4, Vanguard, British ship, 626, Hunter, Shields, Oct. 16, 869 tons Coal.—J. MATHERSON & Co.

Mar. 4, Blair, British brig, 223, Cargill, Newcastle, N. S. W., Jan. 2, 830 tons Coal.—P. & O. Co.

Passenger.

Arrived.—Per Blar, Miss Bird.

Shipping Report.

—The Brit. brig Blair, from Newcastle, N. S. W., reports for the first part of voyage light variable winds, and the latter part (in lat. 16° N. long. 161° E.) strong wind from N.E., which lasted for 5 days, then light southerly wind till Botel Tobago; then had strong gales from N.E. until arrival in port on 4th March; 61 days out.

The British ship Vanguard, from Shields, reports fine weather. Crossed the Equator, on 3d Dec. in long. 27.30 W.; passed the meridian of Cape of Good Hope on Dec. 31, in lat. 40.28 S.; made St. Helena wood Island on 5th Feb., came to Onslow passage on 8th Feb.; on 14th Feb. had light variable winds, passed Boston Island on 1st March, had fresh breeze from N.E. until arrival in port on 4th March; 140 days out. On 6th Nov. spoke the Hun. barque Catharine, from Hamburg to Hongkong, 20 days out, in lat. 33.33 N. long. 17.4 W. On 25th Nov. spoke Norwegian ship Atlas, from Cadiz bound to Amoy, 32 days out, in lat. 8.45 N. long. 22.07 W. On Nov. 26th spoke the British barque Brisbane, from London bound to Madras, 42 days out, in lat. 8.4 N. long. 22.67 W. On 1st Dec. spoke the British ship Agam mon, from Liverpool bound to Bombay, 26 days out, in lat. 3.44 N. long. 24.35 W.; and on 10th Dec. spoke the British ship Mandarin, from Sunderland bound to Madras, 52 days out, in lat. 20.49 S. long. 28.14 W.

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TO BE DISPOSED OF.

JANE, CRAWFORD & Co. beg to invite

the inspection of a magnificent assortment of Indian Printed and Table CLOTHS, CHAIR COVERS, SMOKING CAPS, SLIPPERS, &c., &c., &c., in Gold, Silver and Silk Thread, and showing the most exquisite and tasteful workmanship.

Hongkong, February 28, 1868. 14ma

NOTICE.

NOTICE is hereby given to the Shareholders in the Shanghai Steam Navigation Company that the Share Transfer Books of the Company will be closed from the 26th February to the 5th March, inclusive.

ROWLEY MILLER, Secretary & Auditor, Shanghai, 24th February, 1868.

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Notices to Consignees.

NOTICE.
CONSIGNEES of Cargo per steamer "Happy," are requested to send in their Bills of Lading for countersignature, and to take delivery of their goods before the 7th instant, or they will be landed and stored at their risk and expense.

C. BERTRAND,
Principal Agent,
Hongkong, March 4, 1868. 7mar

THE following cases have been landed and stored at the risk and expense of the Consignees, who are requested to take immediate delivery.

Ex "Tigre," 5th December.

1 Case Feathers.

Ex "Dounai," 7th January, 1868.

RT 531. 1 Case Paper.

Ex "Cambodge," 6th February.

LF 1702. 1 Case Rifles.

OF 38. 1 Case M'chandise.

RG 1/2. 2 Cases Pictures.

do Grancy. 1 Case Boots.

do C. BERTRAND, Principal Agent,

Hongkong, February 12, 1868.

ONSIGNEES of Cargo ex "Wolfen-
burg" and "Guam" from New York,
via Rio de Janeiro, are hereby notified
that unless they pay all charges on, and take
delivery of their Merchandise from the S.
Su N. Co.'s lower Hong-que Godowns,
before the 15th of March next, the same will
be sold to defray expenses.

RUSSELL & Co.,
Agents of Messrs Wright & Co.,
of Rio de Janeiro.

Shanghai, February 24, 1868. 13ma

"BELTED WILL" from LONDON.

ONSIGNEES of cargo by the above-named
Vessel are requested to send in their
Bills of Lading to the Undersigned for
countersignature, and to take immediate
delivery of their Goods.

Cargo impeding the discharge of the ves-
sel will be landed and stored at the Consig-
nees' risk and expense.

DOUGLAS LAPRAIK & Co.,

Hongkong, February 24, 1868.

"VIRGEN DEL CARMEN," from
MANILA.

ONSIGNEES of Cargo by the above-
named Vessel, will please send in their
Bills of Lading for countersignature, and
take immediate delivery of their goods.

Cargo impeding the discharge of the Ves-
sel will be landed and stored at the risk and
expense of the Consignees.

AUGUSTINE HEARD & Co.,

Hongkong, December 16, 1867.

Notices of Firms.

NOTICE.
MR. JOHN HOW CHIVERTON is au-
thorized to sign our Firm per prosecu-
tion.

ALFRED WILKINSON & Co.,

Hongkong, February 21, 1868.

NOTICE.

WE have this day established ourselves
as GENERAL COMMISSION MERCHANTS
under the style and firm of B. S. BARNEY
& Co.

A. A. ROSENTHAL,
B. S. BARNEY,
Saigon, February 6, 1868. 1mar

NOTICE.

MR. SIDNEY DEACON is authorized to
sign our Firm per prosecution from
this date.

DEACON & Co.,

Canton, February 1, 1868.

NOTICE.

DODD & Co.,
Hongkong, January 16, 1868.

NOTICE.

MR. THOMAS PYKE has this day been
admitted a Partner in our Firm,
BIRLEY & Co.

Hongkong, January 2, 1868.

NOTICE.

MR. RYCLE HOLME has been admitted
a partner in our Firm.

GLOVER & Co.,

Nagasaki, January 1, 1867.

NOTICE.

MR. JAMES BARTON has this day been
admitted a Partner in our Firm.

JAMESON & BARTON,

Hongkong, January 2, 1868. 2ap

NOTICE.

THE Interest and Responsibility of Mr.
ELDER HALTON in our Firm ceased
on the 30th June last, and Mr. JAMES
DUNCANSON was admitted a Partner
on the 1st July.

GIBB, LIVINGSTON & Co.,
Hongkong, January 11, 1866. 1-a-w

NOTICE.

THE Interest and Responsibility of Mr.
A. D. MIRRON in our Firm, ceased
on the 31st day of December, 1867.

A. FERGUSON & Co.,

Hongkong, January 3, 1868.

NOTICE.

MR. BASTELOW RANDLE,
Superintendent,
Diocesan School,
Hongkong, January 2, 1868. 16my

NOTICE.

WE have authorized Mr. CLAUDE BUNDE
to sign our Firm from this date.

DILEYER & Co.,

Hongkong, January 1, 1868.

NOTICE.

THE Interest and Responsibility of Mr.
W. A. STURROCK in our Firm ceased
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BOYD & Co.,

Amoy, January 1, 1868. 1ap

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THE CHINA MAIL.

TATIONS.

to, 5th March, 1868.
China, New, ... 700
Old, 672
Shares, New, 635
Old, None
al., ... 700
Exchange.
the'st', ... 4/2
" " 4/2
3 days sight, Rs. 210 & 219
3 days sight, Rs. 218
3 days' sight Bank, Ths. 72
dws. B., 114 per cent pre.
" " 94 per cent pre.
" " 13 per cent pre.
" " 23.80 per cent
touch, ... 23.55
reigns, ... 4.65
" " 7
Shares, 40 per Share
Stock, Old, 25 per cent pm.
New, 15 per cent pm.
Shares, Old, 16 per cent pm.
do, New, 3
Shares, ... 30 per cent pm.
Temperature.
ton, 5th March, 1868.
9 A.M. 3 P.M.
... 29.940 29.360
Barometer, 64 66
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61.0 63.0
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series on China & Japan
Vol. 2, No. 2

NOW READY.

Aboorigines of Hainan—
man in China—Chinese ver-
sion of Rip Van Winkle—
China—Native Description,

Hair Glasses in China; The
Plant—Chinese Terms,
and Manslaughter; Ningpo
temple in China; The
Court; Characters on Chinese
Chinese Army; Japanese
of Japan; Meaning of
the word; The words O Me To Fu;

Cost of Living among the
all Feats, and Prohibition
—Chinese Silk-worm Oaks
in China; Henna in Tea—Works on Chinese
Prohibited by Emigration
of a Chinese General to the

CHINA MAIL.

HURSDAY, MARCH 5, 1868.

NATIONAL TELEGRAPH.

We believe, a project under
by the Colonial Govern-
if carried into execution,
materially to the general

colonies. Some time since it
by the Directors of the
Whampoa Dock Com-
lish a telegraphic wire be-
uperintendent's office at
the Secretary's office in
complete apparatus had
tered and arrived per the
or some reasons, with the

we are not fully acquainted
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are consigned to the care
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ratus has been brought to
of His Excellency Sir R.

and a proposition has been
ect by wire the police
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y places as Sowkewan,
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Central Police Station,
thus having the power of
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on the alert at the first
at what point that
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two indicating machines
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may possibly seem that
be offered, starting with
only two main stations.
The plainest and
on to make is of course
machines be obtained and
graph be laid down, all
having for its terminal
Police Station, Aberdeen
Keween. The is and would
to four somewhat un-
containing a telegraphic
suming that the appar-
ent stands, were to be
providing only for two
d suggest that instead of
these in the island, and

were fixed at the Central Police Station and the other at a Water Police Station afloat. The small length of submarine wire—a "cable" in the general sense, would not be required, would not add materially to the cost. But even were the termini confined to the shore, a valuable aid would afford to the authorities if they were able to place the water-police on the Gaol Wall distinguishing themselves by quietly looking upon the escape of a Chinaman from the custody of the Gaol and its Superintendent. The last escape from Gaol, it may be remonstrated, necessitated the carrying out of a long-pendulum improvement in the shape of the demolition of the tower at the Old Bailey corner of the Gaol wall. The gap thus made has been in process of rebuilding for the last month or two, and a scaffolding both outside and within was necessary. For the prevention of escapes, extra precautions had been taken in the form of additional sentries, one at each scaffolding with however, but sorry success. Into the yard under repair, none of the prisoners are admitted, except one or two early in the morning for a necessary purpose. Last Afook, the prisoner in question was in the yard this morning; and he simply took the opportunity of quietly walking up the inside bamboo scaffolding and down the outside one, while the sentries at either side looked on as serenely as if they were watching a gymnastic feat. Afook therefore got clear-away before it entered into the mind of the outside sentry to give chase. The fugitive was committed for trial to the Supreme Court on the 2d for an attempted burglary upon a carpenter's shop in Wellington Street; and a reward, we believe, is offered for his recapture—a circumstance which in not at all impossible or improbable.

TO-DAY'S POLICE.
Before Mr. Goodliffe.—The case of the four Obihamen charged with having been concerned in the robbery of 300 taels of silver was resumed to-day, and after some further evidence, was again remanded till next Monday, at 11 A.M. A woman (called as a witness) living in No. 9, Tank Lane, was fined \$10 for telling a tissue of falsehoods, in default 14 days' imprisonment. She had stated to the Acting Superintendent of Police that a number of men were in her house dividing money, whereas in Court she denied having said so.

No other cases of marked importance were disposed of.

The following notices to mariners are published for general information:—The following notices, descriptive of the lights exhibited at Forum and at Vaux Tomb, in the Gulf of Cambay, are published for general information:—*Forum Light*, Gulf of Cambay, 21° 35' 51" 35' north latitude, 72° 23' 38" 18' east longitude; dioptric fixed light of fourth order; seen in clear weather about 20 miles; time harbor light is shown; sunset; color or any peculiarity of lighthouse, stone whitewashed; height in feet centre of lantern, above high water, 127' 9"; height in feet of building, from base to van, 77' 9", inclusive of lantern; when lighted, 5th March, 1867. *Vaux Tomb Light*, Strait River, 21° 5' north latitude, 72° 38' east longitude; dioptric light of the fourth order, illuminating 260'; seen in clear weather 15 miles; time harbor light is shown; sunset; color or any peculiarity of lighthouse, stone whitewashed; height in feet centre of lantern, above high water, 127' 9"; height in feet of building, from base to van, 51 feet above ground level; when lighted, 29th June, 1867.

To the Editor of the "Times of India." Sir,—Institute complaints in some of your contemporaries regarding the present rate of exchange charged by the Banks for remittances to England, and perhaps a few words on the subject may enlighten those of your readers who are not business men. In the first place I may mention that no one would be more pleased to see a higher rate of exchange than the Banks themselves, and that if they could afford to allow 2s. 0d. instead of 1s. 10d. for their demand drafts, they would be very glad to do so. The reason of the rate of exchange being so much against this country at present, compared with the last few years is that our imports are now of equal if not of greater value than our exports, and it may happen that for a short time the imports may exceed the latter. Should this be the case exchange will still further decline, until it reaches such a point as will make it necessary for remitters to send home rupees to be sold in London as bullion. The rupee contains 7 dwt., 10.37 grains of standard silver, at which 60 pence per oz. gives an exchange of 1s. 10.29 per rupee, exclusive of shipping charges. It is to be hoped, however, that the price of cotton both at home and here will be such as to tempt shippers, otherwise we shall have to send bullion to balance our accounts with Europe. A telegram received to day from America advises large receipts of cotton at the ports but smaller exports to England, the result is they have to ship bullion. If this is the case with America, where the large supply of broad stuff might take the place of cotton, it is still more probable here, where if cotton is not shipped we have nothing to sell except Government paper and rupees.

The following juries were called and sworn:—Messrs. G. B. Aylmore, J. A. Allmand, F. Porson, C. Jorge, G. Chill, T. Callis, and M. Moss.

CRIMONY OR ROBBERY IN HARBOR.

Chin, Aling, Liu Aki, Yung Asing, and Leong Wah-hee were charged with piracy, insomuch as they robbed a boat near Teas-mooey on the 27th January last, and threatened to wound the boatmen in charge of the same.

Wong-yassing, master of the fishing boat, described the attack and the robbery. It appears that, about midnight of the 27th January, witness' boat was off the shore near Teas-mooey, a village between Victoria and Sowkewan, when they were attacked by another, the crew of which came on board his boat armed with swords. Witness and his crew were asleep at the time, but on awaking were hustled and threatened by the attacking crew. Prisoners were four of the attacking crew. After stripping the witnesses of their clothes, they took a quantity of fresh fish, seven pieces of clothing, four nets, two swords, and two harpoons, which were produced in Court and identified by the witness, and then returned to their own boat. Witness and his crew reported the robbery to the Police, who was pulling ashore in that quarter; when the Police returned and found the property produced in prisoners' boat. As the Police boat neared that of the prisoners, however, the crew of the attacking boat jumped overboard and attempted to swim ashore. The two first prisoners were caught in the water, and the third and fourth were found in another boat shortly after. P. O. 27 fired at one who was in the water, after telling him to stop, and afterwards heard no more of him.

The only point raised by the prisoners in cross-examination was that of identity, the questions as to which were answered by the witnesses satisfactorily. The Chief Justice, while he was proceeding with the reading of the evidence, was interrupted by the Jury, who expressed their surprise perfectly satisfied with the case as it stood. His Lordship remarked that it was certainly a very clear case, and they could not but be perfectly satisfied with the evidence being thus captioned:—

"It avounds the responsibility."—*Recorder*.

LOCAL.

A CONCERT will be given by Madame Veralli this evening at the Club Luciferio, assisted by one or two gentleman amateurs. We trust this popular concert will meet with the success she so fully deserves.

Professor Vank's performance last even-

ing was a still more decided success than

before, the "Speaking Head" being

one of the best feats his repertoire has yet

attested. We observe that he advertises

an original style of drum performance on

Saturday next, which will doubtless draw

a large audience as those which have

hitherto attended. Considering the great

competition just at the present moment in

the way of amusement, the Professor may

congratulate on his unequivocal success

in the magic line. Since Frickell's capital trick of a man blowing himself away from a mortar, we have seen nothing so good as the "sensation feats" of Professor Vauck. The mechanical tricks are also, though somewhat old friends, neatly performed.

AS ESCAPE FROM GAOL.

About six o'clock this morning, two of the sentries on the Gaol Wall distinguished

themselves by quietly looking upon the escape of a Chinaman from the custody of the Gaol and its Superintendent.

The last escape from Gaol, it may be remonstrated,

necessitated the carrying out of a long-pendulum

improvement in the shape of the

demolition of the tower at the Old Bailey

corner of the Gaol wall.

The man they had robbed were

evidently poor, and the clothes they had

stolen was no doubt their all in this world.

It was therefore a very grave and serious

offence of which they (the prisoners) had

been guilty. The sentence of the Court

was that they be each imprisoned with

hard labor for two years, and receive

25 strokes on two separate occasions.

The two gambling men, convicted for

cutting and wounding in the brothel in

Hollywood Road, were brought up, but

sentence was reserved until the next

Sessions.

THE NORTH.

(From the Shanghai Recorder.)

Intelligence has arrived overland

which confirms the news we recently gave

of a contemplated junction between the

Nien-fu and the Mahomedan Rebels.

The former have penetrated as far as Kwang-

ping-foo in China, near the borders of

Honan, in which Province the Mahomedans

are in great force. Li has

received orders from Peking to make a

forced march to that spot, and to take the

field against the Nien-fu without delay.

This fact seems but little confirmatory of

the somewhat brilliant prospects which

have been held out of late; and the report

of success attending the Imperial arms

is very much exaggerated.

If the army is left "without provisions,

pay or cloths," it is obvious as noticed by

the *Friend of China*, that

we are likely to remain

in the field.

And what will our readers think is

the sum total of this mighty negotiation be-

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MAILS BY THE "EMBU." The Contract Packets "LMBU" will be despatched with the usual Mails for Europe, &c., on WEDNESDAY, the 11th Mar., at 7 A.M., and the Post Office will be open for the reception of Ordinary Letters, Letters for Registration, Newspapers, Books, &c., until 9 P.M. on the 10th Mar.; Letters, &c., may be posted in the night box from 9 P.M. on the 10th Mar., until 5 A.M. on the following morning.

All Letters posted between 5 and 6 A.M. on the 11th Mar. will be chargeable, in addition to the usual postage, with a late fee of 18 cents.

The latest time for posting Letters at this Office is 6 A.M., and for Newspapers, Books, or Patterns 6 A.M. on the 11th Mar.

Further, late letters (but Letters only) addressed to the United Kingdom and Mauritius to Singapore, may be posted on board the Packet from 6.30 to 9.00 A.M. on payment of a late fee of 48 cents each, in addition to the postage, after which no Letters can be received.

Sealed Boxes containing the correspondence of Fox Holders will be received at the Post Office, and for the purpose, on the back side of the building.

All correspondence for places to which prepayment compulsory must be prepaid, Hongkong Postage Stamps.

Identified Letters addressed to the United Kingdom will be sent on, charged with the fee of One Shilling in addition to the postage.

Letters posted after 5 A.M. on the 11th Mar. will not be forwarded unless the late fee as well as the postage is prepaid.

Letters insufficiently stamped or unaffixed, addressed to places to which they cannot be forwarded unpaid, will be opened and returned to the writers as early as possible; but no guarantee can be given that such Letters, if posted after 9 A.M. on the 10th Mar., will be returned, until after the mail is closed.

Postage Stamps should be placed on the upper right hand corner of the correspondence, except in cases where they may be used in payment of "Late Fees," when the Stamp or Stamps representing the late fee should be placed on the lower left-hand corner.

All transactions in fractional parts of a Dollar will be conducted in the Coins prescribed by Ordinance 1, of 1864, and the Proclamation of the 22nd January, 1864; and no other Coin, but those therein specified will either be received or given in change as fractional parts of a Dollar.

Payment for Postage Stamps must be made in the current Dollars of the Colony, or Bank Notes.

F. W. MITCHELL,
Postmaster General.
General Post-Office,
Hongkong, February 20, 1868.

THE subjoined transcript of a Telegram from the General Post Office in London, which was received by the Undersigned this day, is published for general information:

F. W. MITCHELL,
Postmaster General.
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Hongkong, Feb. 3, 1868.

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13. 1.55.
(Signed) THOS. AUSTIN,
In Charge
Tel. Office,
Galle, 13th January, 1868.

True Copy.
(Signed) F. BAYLEY,
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